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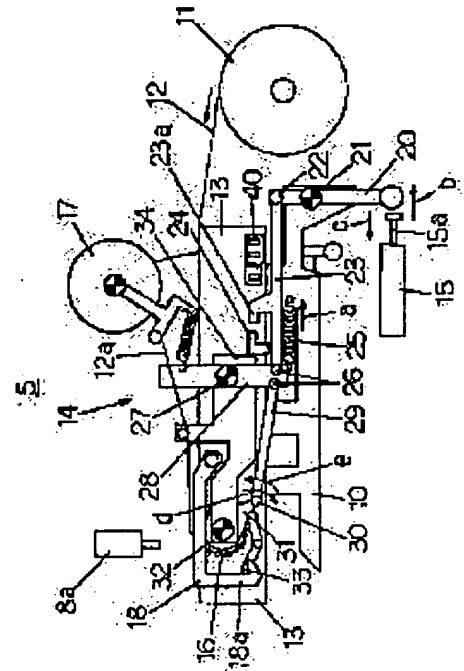
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## (54) TAPE FEEDER

### (57)Abstract:

**PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED:** To provide a tape feeder that can cope with many kinds of tapes, and has improved general versatility.

**SOLUTION:** In a tape feeder 5 for successively supplying electronic components to a pickup position by pitch feeding of a tape 12 that retains the electronic components, a tape feed pitch can be varied by changing the reciprocating stroke of a link member 23 of a link mechanism 14 for intermittently rotating a sprocket member 16 for the pitch feeding of the tape 12 by a stroke adjustment member 23. Also, the width dimension of an opening for picking up electronic components being provided at a cover member 18 for preventing jump-up towards the upper portion of an empty tape after picking up the electronic components in front of a pickup position and a gap in a direction for feeding the tape are varied, thus coping with many types of tapes by the same tape feeder 5.



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